APPENDIX 'A'

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE "STANDING COMMITTEE" OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, SHIMOGA, HELD ON THE 13TH JULY 1927.

Members.

Present ... 5 | Absent ... 2. | Total ... 7

1. Read G. O. No. 4763-75—L. B. 101-21-18, dated Bangalore, 22nd January 1927, offering certain terms for the final acceptance of the Board so that the construction work of the Shimoga-Arasalu Railway line up to Ragihosahalli may be resumed.

Resolution.—Resolved that the terms offered by Government in their Order No. 4763-75—L. B. 101-21-18, dated 22nd January 1927 in the matter of taking over the Shimoga-Arasalu line as a State line together with the assets and liabilities of the Railway Loan raised by the Board be accepted to the extent mentioned hereunder.

(1) The Standing Committee of the Board accept the decision of the Government that the loan raised by the Board shall be treated as a Government Loan, but in doing so they desire to invite the attention of the Government to their Order No. R. S. 2278-83—Ry. F. 164, G. 20-21, dated 8th February 1921 wherein the Government have been pleased to direct that the Shimoga District Board Railway Loan be utilised for the main line with a guarantee of 5 per cent interest and a proportionate share of profits when net earnings of the line exceed 5 per cent. In view of this decision which has been acquiesced in by the Share-holders the claims of the debenture holders for a share in the profits of the main line under conditions mentioned above cannot be overlooked. In this view of the case, the claims relating to the share in the profits will have to be retained and complied with. In recommending this course, the Board would bring to the notice of the Government that this is not likely to embarass the Government to any appreciable extent as the fully paid up shares amount only to Rs. 2,23,600 and the share in the profits will have to be paid only when net earnings exceed 5 per cent—a remote contingency.

(2) The conditions as regards making over the Railway cess including current year's collections with no current claim to any proprietary right in the line is accepted as the whole concern is now treated as a State concern.

(3) As regards the appropriation of the annual collections of Railway cess for meeting the interest charges during the construction stage, etc., the Standing Committee desire to point out respectfully to Government that the condition to charge interest at 5½ per cent on the Capital contributed by Government will place the Board in a worse position than when it undertook to raise the loan as one of the conditions agreed upon between the Board and the Government was that one half of the Capital cost of the line had to be contributed by the Government. In view of the fact that the Board are making over a sum of seven and odd lakhs of rupees towards the Capital cost of the line and the Government are contributing only about eleven lakhs, the Board should not be made liable for payment of interest charges on the quota of the Capital cost which the Government would have had to bear under the original condition, and that too at a rate of 5½ per cent as against 5 per cent. This aspect of the case deserves special consideration in view of the fact that the development of communications in the malnad is an important item of work in which the Government are as much interested as the Board.

(4) As the Government undertake the liability to repay the loan raised by the Board and also meet the interest charges the Committee agree to place at the disposal of the Government the annual collection of the Railway cess for the next twenty-five years.

2. G. O. No. L. 5462—L. B. 105-26-2, dated 4th February 1927, asking the District Board to suggest a simple procedure for arranging for payment of interest to the bond-holders straight from the Treasury instead of the District Board issuing interest warrants, etc.

Resolution.—In view of the resolutions recorded above this question does not arise for consideration, as the loan becomes a Government loan and interest payments will have to be arranged by the Comptroller direct.

3. Comptroller's Letter No. 3349—S. L., dated 6th June 1927, calling for opinion in the matter of arranging for all work connected with the District Board Railway Loan being done in his office, etc.

Resolution.—This question also does not arise when the Board have agreed to transfer the loan to Government and the whole scheme is worked out as a Government Scheme.

4. Letter No. B. B. 2294, dated 7th June 1927, from the Auditor, Mysore Railways, forwarding copy of Comptroller's Letter No. 669—Rys., dated 23rd May 1927 *re* the surrender of Railway Cess collections, etc.

Resolution.—This may be adjusted after final orders of Government are received on the resolutions recorded above.

5. Letter No. L. 7578—L. B. 129-24-7, dated 22nd April 1927, from the General Secretary to Government, requesting to obtain the views of the District Board, regarding the construction of a bridge across the Bhadra river at Holehonnur.

Resolution.—This matter may be placed before the District Board, with the references received from Government in this connection.

6. Letter No. L. 7040, dated 6th April 1927, from the General Secretary to Government, requesting to frame Bye-laws for granting Agricultural and Sericultural Scholarships to students and letter No. 4454-61, dated 11th April 1927, from the Superintendent of Sericulture forwarding draft rules regarding Sericultural Scholarships.

Resolution.—The draft rules regarding the conditions under which Sericultural Scholarships may be given may be adopted. The Agricultural Director may be requested to kindly suggest a set of draft rules for the grant of Agricultural Scholarships.

APPENDIX 'B'

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE DISTRICT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE, SHIMOGA, HELD ON THE 13TH JULY 1927 AT 1 P.M., IN THE TOWN HALL, SHIMOGA.

Members.

Present	7	Absent	5
	Total	12	

The District Inspector of Education was also present.

Read—

1. Brief Report on the working of the Economic Development Scheme in the Shimoga District during the year 1926-27 and the expenditure incurred thereon.

Resolution.—Recorded with the observation that schemes of Economic Development worked out last year may be continued during the present year also.

2. Letter No. G. L. C. 256—25-26, dated 26th February 1927, from the Inspector-General of Education in Mysore, Bangalore, requesting to obtain the views of the District Board, if the District Inspector of Education may be empowered to transfer provisions of schools maintained out of Cess funds without reference to the District Board as in respect of scales of charges met from State funds with a view to the proper and efficient working of all the schools in the district.

Resolution.—The District Inspector of Education who was present, explained to the members all aspects of the question incidentally bringing to their notice the disadvantages of the present system.

Resolved that the views of the Inspector-General of Education be adopted in the matter of empowering the District Inspector to transfer provision of schools maintained out of Cess funds as in respect of scales of charges met from State funds. The new system may be tried as an experimental measure for two years. The District Inspector of Education will keep the District Board informed of the changes made by him in exercise of those powers from time to time.

3. Report No. 438—26-27, dated 23rd March 1927 and 438, 441 of 26-27, dated 23rd March 1927, from the Amildar of Sorab Taluk submitting the following resolutions of the Taluk Conference held on 23rd March 1927 for further action :—

1. Resolved that a recommendation may be made to the Inspector-General of Education to provide Incomplete Middle Schools at Bharangi, Jade, Moodi, Telagonda and Sigga.

Resolution.—The Committee are not in favour of encouraging the establishment of any new Incomplete Middle Schools in the district. On the other hand, every endeavour should be made by the Board and the Department to provide more Middle Schools, as soon as possible.

2. (*a*) Resolved that a recommendation may be sent up to the Inspector-General of Education to convert Grant-in-aid Schools where the number of pupils on the roll is 20 and where the average attendance is 15.

Resolution.—Resolved that in the interests of Education in Malnad area Grant-in-aid Schools in Malnad Taluks of the district with a minimum strength of 20 and average attendance of 15 be converted to Government Schools as early as possible.

(b) Wherever Grant-in-aid Schools are abolished for bad work the amount of grant should be used in the same taluk for converting successful grants schools into Government Schools.

Resolution.—The Committee are not in favour of imposing restrictions on the discretionary power to be vested in the District Inspector of Education as per resolution II above in the matter.

3. That the compulsory Education may be introduced in all the schools in the taluk and that a recommendation may be made to Inspector-General of Education to introduce compulsory education as a first step to the schools at Hubli Headquarters.

Resolution.—The recommendation of the conference deserves special consideration of the Board and the Department of Education.

4. Letter No. Roc. 1790 H. C. 568—26-27, dated 5th May 1927, from the Director of Agriculture in Mysore, forwarding for favourable consideration the petition from Mr. H. B. Veerappa and others of Hosa-sante, Tagarthi, Sagar Taluk, praying for the grant of a loan of Rs. 500, for the purchase of grains, etc., since they have started an Agricultural Co-operative work in their villages.

Resolution.—In view of the existing finances of the District Board, it is difficult to provide funds for sanctioning loans of the nature prayed for.

5. Report No. C. 74—26-27, dated 19th June 1927, from the Amildar of Honnali Taluk requesting to appoint "Trained Instructors" to the Carpentry Classes in Honnali and Nyamathi Towns, newly started under the Economic Development Scheme, as the present instructors are unqalified and they do not know how to teach boys according to syllabus. The classes may be transferred to the control of the Educational authorities.

Resolution.—The question of providing trained instructors for these classes involves heavy recurring expenditure. Competent local men may be employed on this work and a nominal grant given to them out of the Economic Development Budget for the year 1927-28. The proposal to transfer control management of these institutions to the Education Department is impracticable and may be dropped for the present.

6. Report No. 243—27-28, dated 1st July 1927, from the Deputy Amildar of Kumsi Sub-Taluk, requesting that the grant to

the Home Industries Classes at Harnahalli, and
the Tailoring Class at Kumsi,
opened under the scheme last year, be continued during the present year.

Resolution.—The classes are reported to be working satisfactorily and so may be continued during the current year.

7. Government Order No. D. 5539-98—A. & E. 78-26-6, dated 18th January 1927, directing that an All-India Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition be held at Mysore, at the time of the Dasara of 1927. To concert measures for co-operating with the Exhibition Committee, in making the Exhibition a success and to organise a pavilion for exhibiting the Shimoga District products.

Resolution.—Resolved that a sum of Rs. 300, be provided to meet the cost of transmission of exhibits of rare and receptional merit and stall charges in the case of deserving exhibitors.

8. The grant to be sanctioned by the Government and the District Board for Economic Development work for the year 1927-28.

The discussion of the proposals for the utilisation of same :—

	Rs.
Economic Development Grant by Government	5,000
Grant from District Board	1,500

Resolution.—Programme (attached) of Economic Development work drawn up for the year 1927-28, by the District Economic Superintendent, is approved.

The Scheme of Practical Instruction classes proposed may be worked out in consultation with the District Inspector of Education.

In respect of Fruit Culture, arrangements may be made to encourage the growth of fruit plants such as Orange, Rasa-bale and Lime.

Fifty Chinchona plants to be got and distributed free of cost to intending growers in the district. Mr Devangi Ramanna Gowda, has undertaken to popularise its cultivation, as far as possible.

Two hundred cocoanut plants of the Ceylon Variety to be supplied at cost price to intending growers in the district.

9. The application from Khaji Shamshuddin of Shikarpur, requesting for the enhancement of the Scholarship from Rs. 15 to 20 sanctioned to his first son who is receiving training in Sericulture at Mysore and praying for a fresh scholarship to his younger son.

Letter No. 373, dated 20th July 1927, from the Superintendent of Sericulture, forwarding the application of Khaji Abdul Majid for continuance of his scholarship during 1927-28, also that is up to 19th April 1928.

Resolution.—The scholarship was sanctioned only three months back. The Committee regret they cannot recommend the enhancement of the scholarship so soon nor the grant of an additional scholarship to another member of the same family. As the Superintendent of Sericulture reports satisfactory progress of the student, the scholarship may be continued during 1927-28.

10. The continuance of the Home Industries Class at Shimoga, started under the Economic Development Scheme.

Resolution.—May be continued as the Institute is reported to be working well and popular with the women folk.

11. An imprest of Rs. 250, may be granted to the District Economic Superintendent, Shimoga, to meet the emergent expenses in connection with the Economic Development Works.

Resolution.—An Imprest of Rs. 250, may be made available out of the District Board Funds.

PROGRAMME OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WORK FOR 1927-28.

		Rs.	
	Industries.		
1.	Improved appliances for Gudigars to be got from Madras	100	
2.	Improved looms for indigenous Kambali weavers at Rs. 50	200	
3.	Subsidy for the popularisation of Charaka and Weaving of Khaddar.	300	
4.	Scholarships for weaving, carpentry, smithy, etc.	600	1,200
	Agriculture.		
1.	Sericulture	500	
2.	Demonstration and propaganda of improved agricultural implements, seeds, manures, etc.	500	
3.	Model manure and silo pits	100	
4.	Fruit Culture and Vegetable cultivation	250	
5.	District Board Nursery	250	1,600
	Education.		
1.	Grants to Reading Rooms	75	
2.	Opening of Charaka Classes in Middle Schools	200	
3.	Opening of Practical Instruction Classes	250	
4.	Visual Instruction	200	
5.	Prizes for spinning and weaving competitions	150	
6.	Vyayamashalas	100	975
	Co-operation.		
1.	For awarding prizes, medals, certificates to efficient Co-operative Societies and their certificates.	150	
2.	To start classes for training men for the posts of Secretaries to Co-operative Societies.	100	
3.	To meet the cost of transportation of Agricultural implements, etc., to Societies that stock such articles.	100	
4.	Co-operative Library	50	400
	General.		
1.	Home Industries Institute at Shimoga	1,000	
2.	To subsidise the Rattan Industry at Nagar	150	
3.	Sericultural Scholarships (two) and travelling allowance to students (at 15 per month for each plus 20 travelling allowance, *i.e.*, 180+20=200).	400	
4.	Poultry farming at Shimoga as an experimental measure	200	1,750
			5,925
	Reserve		1,575
	Total		7,500

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